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1. FOLLOWING IS POST RESPONSE TO REFERENCE REQUEST FOR INFORMATION
ON LEGAL REPRESENTATION AVAILABLE TO AMERICANS IN TANZANIA.
ANSWERS ARE KEYED TO REFERENCE.

2. A. TANZANIA LAW SOCIETY HAS IN PAST PROVIDED LEGAL COUNSEL
GRATIS TO PRISONERS INCLUDING US NATIONALS. IN PAST SEVERAL YEARS,
HOWEVER, PROGRAM HAS NOT BEEN ACTIVE AND POST KNOWS OF NO RECENT
CASES WHERE "PUBLIC DEFENDERS" MADE AVAILABLE.

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C. ALTHOUGH PUBLIC FUNDED CONSEL NOT AVAILABLE, TANZANIA GOVERNMENT
HAS ESTABLISHED LEGAL CORPORATION (TLC) WHICH CREATES POOL OF LAWYERS
AVAILABLE AT CONTROLLED COST. THERE REMAIN SOME PRIVATE COUNSELS
WHOSE SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE BUT OFTEN AT HIGHER FEES. SINCE
JUDICIAL SYSTEM PROVIDES PRIORITY TO TLC LAWYERS, PRIVATELY REPRESE-
NTED CLIENTS MAY FIND THEIR CASES DELAYED. THERE ARE QUALITY
ATTORNEYS AVAILABLE IN TLC AND PRIVATELY, BUT AS IN MOST COUNTRIES
THE QUALITY OF LEGAL ASSISTANCE A U.S. NATIONAL IS ABLE TO OBTAIN
WILL DEPEND ON "LUCK OF DRAW" AND WILLINGNESS OF ATTORNEY RETAINED
TO FOLLOW THROUGH ON CASE.

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